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"The following are the Members deceased within the year:

Life Members.

Annual Members.

- * Rev. Charles Boyton, D. D., 1822.
- William Henry, Esq., 1844. Matthew O'Conor, 1837.
- * Hugh Ferguson, M. D., 1824.

Honorary Member.

* Rev. Thomas Goff, 1802.

Francis Baily, Esq., LL. D.,

* William Webb, Esq., 1808.

F. R. S., &c., 1826.

- "The distinguished name of M. Arago, Perpetual Secretary of the Academy of Sciences of Paris, has been added to the list of Honorary Members.
- "The list of Honorary Members has lost a name well known to science, that of Francis Baily, Esq., late President of the Astronomical Society of London, of which he was one of the principal founders. On the worth of his character, and on the value of his services to science, it is needless to dwell, as Sir John Herschell has already done justice to them, in a Memoir read to the Society over which he presided, and which, up to the period of his death, was the object of his unceasing care and attention."

Mr. Robert Ball, on the part of the Dean of Lismore, presented the seal of the late Archbishop of Cashel.

The thanks of the Academy were voted to the Dean of Lismore.

April 14, 1845.

SIR WM. R. HAMILTON, LL.D., President, in the Chair.

Joseph Allen Galbraith, Esq., James Jameson, Esq., and John Francis Waller, Esq., were elected Members of the Academy.

READ,—The Resolution of Council passed at the meeting of 7th April, viz.

"That the Volume which has been printed by Mr. Petrie, as the twentieth volume of the Transactions, be received as such; and though it cannot be regarded as a complete Work, that, nevertheless, the Council do recommend it to be taken, as acquitting Mr. Petrie of his engagements to the Academy.

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY,—That the recommendation of Council be received and adopted.

READ,—The following letter from Messrs. Hodges and Smith:

" 104, GRAFTON-STREET, "April 14th, 1845.

"SIR,-Having been informed that a person of the name of O'Brien, in the County of Clare, had some curious ancient documents which he would dispose of, we went down to that county for the purpose of examining them. We found his collection to consist chiefly of family documents and papers of little moment, with the exception of four pages of the celebrated work known by the name of Leabhar Breac. Those pages contain a beautiful Latin Hymn to St. Patrick, by Secundinus, and other interesting matter. They have been missing for upwards of fifty years, and we have now much pleasure in restoring them to the Academy, whose property the Leabhar Breac has been for many years; and we also beg to present two copies of Mac Firbis's work on the Genealogy of ancient Irish Families, written in 1650, and another volume containing an abstract of the same great work, written by James M'Guire, in 1721; and, fifthly, a very good copy of Keating's History of Ireland, written in 1712.

"We have the Honour to be, Sir,
"Your very obedient Servants,
"Honges and Smith.

"To the Secretary of the Royal Irish Academy."

RESOLVED,—That the thanks of the Academy be given to Messrs. Hodges and Smith for their donation.

VOL. III.

Rev. Dr. Todd presented, in the name of the Rev. James Spencer Knox, a curious book, found near Maghera, composed of tablets made of wood, and covered with wax.

The President, under his hand and seal, appointed the following Vice-Presidents:

Rev. Charles Wm. Wall, D. D.; George Petrie, Esq.; James Mac Cullagh, LL.D.; Thomas A. Larcom (Captain, R. E.)

His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant having attended as a visitor,

The Rev. Dr. Robinson proceeded to give an account of the construction and results obtained with the six foot reflecting telescope of the Earl of Rosse.

April 28, 1845.

SIR WM. R. HAMILTON, LL.D., President, in the Chair.

The Treasurer presented the following abstract of the Annual Account, as audited, for the year ending 31st March, 1845: